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Information Technology

IT VENDOR CHECKLIST

[Senate Bill 475](#), passed by the Texas Legislature, requires the Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) to establish a state risk and authorization management program that provides "a standardized approach for security assessment, authorization, and continuous monitoring of cloud computing services that process the data of a state agency."

Beginning Jan. 1, 2022, state agencies (including institutions of higher education) must only enter or renew contracts to receive cloud computing services that comply with TX-RAMP requirements. In addition to the TX-RAMP requirement, UNT World also assesses all technology products and services for other data protection and system security requirements.

ASSEMBLE DOCUMENTATION

☐ Collect your evidence of [Texas Risk and Authorization Management Program (TX-RAMP)](#) certification and submit it to the procuring department contact *(Required for Cloud Solutions such as SaaS, IaaS, and PaaS)*

  To start the TX-RAMP certification process the vendor must reach out directly to DIR and submit a request at the following hyperlink: https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/6510630/TX-RAMP-Vendor-Contact.

☐ Collect your [Voluntary Product Accessibility Template](#) (VPAT) or Accessibility Conformance Report (ACR) and submit it to the procuring department contact.

☐ Collect supporting information security documentation:
  - [Higher Education Community Vendor Assessment Toolkit (HECVAT)](#)
  - Information Security Plan
  - Business Continuity/Disaster Recovery Plan
  - Architectural Diagrams
  - Data Flow Diagrams
  - Incident Handling Procedures

TECHNOLOGY RISK ASSESSMENT

☐ IT Compliance will assign assessment levels based on the product's data usage and impacts to the UNT institution. ***The vendor will need to obtain TX-RAMP certification at the level assigned***

☐ Complete the Technology Risk Assessment via the link provided by IT Compliance.

  - ***Link will allow the vendor to complete assessment online and attach supporting documentation***

☐ Upload supporting documentation through the Technology Risk Assessment.

POLICIES, STANDARDS, AND GUIDELINES

☐   Review institutional policies, standards and guidelines concerning information security:

- UNT Information Security Policy
- UNT Dallas Information Security Policy
- UNT System Information Security Policy
- UNT System Information Security Handbook

☐   Review institutional regulations policies, standards, and guidelines concerning accessibility:

- UNT Electronic and Information Resources Accessibility Policy
- UNT Web Accessibility Policy
- UNT System EIR Accessibility Plan

Additional information about the Technology Risk Assessment Program may be found on the following webpage: Technology Risk Assessment Program.